Burmese students-refugees problem

2532. SHRI W. ANGOU SINGH: Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the Burma's Junta Government has urged the Indian Government to keep the Burmese students-refugees away from the border for good trade relationship between the two countries as published in an English local paper "Manipur News" in Manipur;

(b) if so, what steps have been taken by Government; and

(c) whether the Burmese students refugees' problem will not affect the relationship between Indian and Myanmar?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRIMATI VASUNDHARA RAJE): (a) to (c) No Sir. However, the Government of Myanmar has, from time to time, expressed concern over the activities of Myanmar nationals residing in the north-eastern states bordering Myanmar. The State Governments concerned have been requested to take appropriate action against anyone found to be engaging in activities violative of our laws. The Governments of India and Myanmar have agreed to work together to develop cooperative relations.

सड़कों के निर्माण में फ्रांस द्वारा सहायता

2533. **श्रीमती मालती शर्मा:**
प्रो. रामबक्ष सिंह वर्मा:

क्या विदेश मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या यह सच है कि फ्रांस भारत में सड़कों के निर्माण के लिए वित्त और प्रौद्योगिकी उपलब्ध करवाएगा; और

(ख) यदि हां, तो क्या इस संबंध में दोनों देशों में किसी समझौते पर हस्ताक्षर किये गये हैं; यदि हां, तो तत्संबंधी ब्यौरा क्या हैं?

विदेश मंत्रालय में राज्य मंत्री (श्रीमती वसुन्धरा राजे): (क) और (ख) इस स्तर पर फ्रांस की सरकार ने इस क्षेत्र में वित्तीय परियोजनाओं की पेशकश नहीं की हैं। 1 फरवरी, 1999 को भारत सरकार के जल भूतल परिवहन मंत्रालय और फ्रांस की सरकार के लोक निर्माण, आवास तथा परिवहन मंत्रालय के बीच एक आशय-प्रोतोकोल पर हस्ताक्षर हुए, जिसमें भारत में सड़कों के निर्माण के क्षेत्र में प्रौद्योगिकी के आदान प्रदानों सहित द्विपक्षीय सहयोग के लिए रूपरेखा की व्यवस्था है।

Threat to India due to International Terrorism

2534. SHRI RAJUBHAI A. PARMAR:
SMT. VEENA VERMA:
SH. AKHILESH DAS:

Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government's attention has been drawn to the newsitem published in the Asian Age of December 21, 1998, captioned "India, US, Israel on Bin Laden's hitlist"; and

(b) if so, what steps have been and are being taken by Government to fight international terrorism out-fit headed by Bin Laden?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRIMATI VASUNDHARA RAJE): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) Government maintain a consant vigil to thwart the anti-India designs and activities of any terrorist or terrorist group.

Partnership documents between India and Russia

2535. SHRI RAJUBHAI A. PARMAR:
SHRIMATI VEENA VERMA:
SHRI AKHILESH DAS:

Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) what steps have been taken in pursuance of the strategic partnership document signed between India and Russia during the Russian Prime Minister's visit to New Delhi in December, 1998;

(b) the details of the expansion in different areas of cooperation between the two countries over what existed prior to the new document under the 'Friendship and Cooperation Treaties' of 1971 and 1993 and the new areas if any opened under it;

(c) whether similar documents have been signed by Russia with China, Japan and other countries in this subcontinent, if so, the details thereof?